3d Weather Squadron

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3 WS Continuation Training (CT)

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- ***CT ensures individuals receive sufficient recurring training on perishable skills to maintain qualification and is a key component of individual technical development***
  - Weather organizations **will** use AFWA/OWS published training resources to the greatest extent possible
  - Individual weather organizations **will** arrange for members to participate in training events/exercises that ensure individuals awarded CMR status receive sufficient CT to maintain that status
  - CT **will** be conducted quarterly--this will allow routine refresh of seasonal, perishable weather and tactical skills
  - CT completion **will** be documented in AFTR

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- **All Weather Squadrons will conduct seasonal continuation training, at least quarterly, concentrating on environmental threats to operations associated with the upcoming season**
  - Training **should** focus on environmental sensitivity thresholds pertinent to DoD full-spectrum operations
  - Weather units **will** leverage seasonal training material from their supporting OWS
  - MIRF/RIRF
    - Weather units **will** incorporate MIRF/RIRF managed by the supporting OWS into qualification/continuation training
    - Weather units **will** contribute pertinent METSAT imagery or radar signatures of training value to the supporting OWS for consideration for inclusion into the MIRF/RIRF

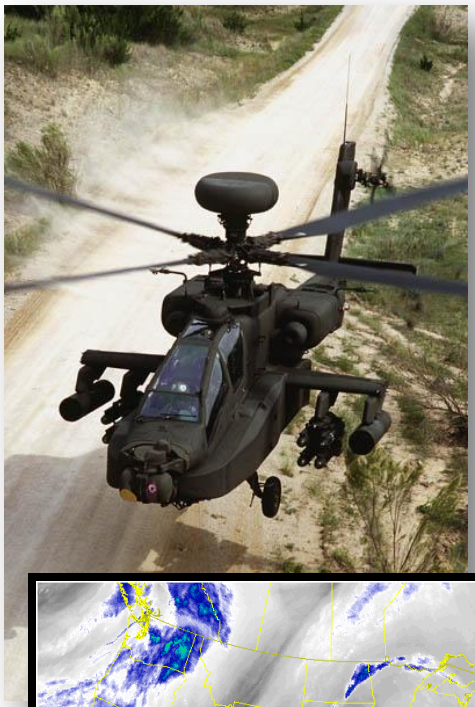
93 AGOW Guidance Memo 2014-15-01

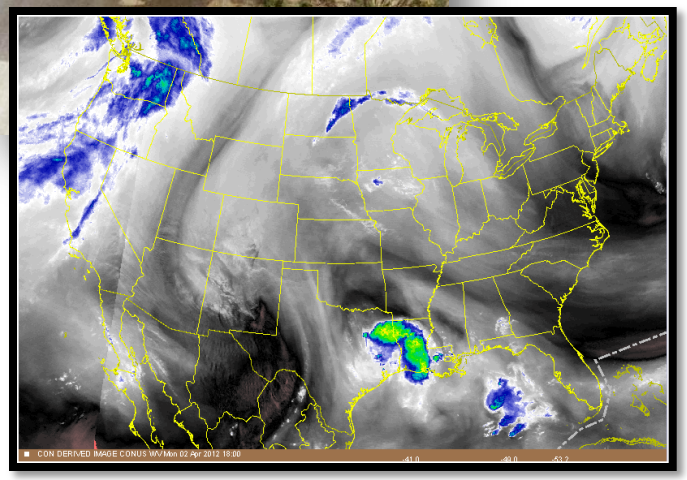
- **5.2. (Added) Additional Requirements. In addition to the minimum CT requirements listed in** AFI 15-127, Chapter 4, BW squadrons and subordinate organizations will ensure the following items are trained at least annually and are included in the their respective quarterly CT plan (does not apply to civilian only OLs):
  - **Weather Forecasting/Environmental Exploitation Training**
  - **Combat/Field Skills and Warrior Tasks Training**

❑ **Refer to 93 AGOW GM2014-15-01 for specific training requirements under the above areas**

3 WS CT Instructions

- CT material will be posted monthly to the 3 WS webpage and the 3 WS SharePoint
- This will keep the amount of material more “digestible” and provide flexibility, so material can be quickly added to counter trends in the MEFP (MWPVER)
- Dets/OLs should add or substitute local or unique training materials/tasks





CT Documentation

- CT completion **will** be documented in AFTR (1098) at end of each quarter by the individual and supervisor
- Dets/OLs **will** be responsible for tracking/documenting their own CT completion within AFTR

3 WS CT Annual Plan

3 WS 2015 ANNUAL CONTINUATION TRAINING (CT) PLAN												
AFI 15-127 REQUIRED AREAS	1st quarter			2nd quarter			3rd quarter			4th quarter		
	SPRING			SUMMER			FALL			WINTER		
	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN	JUL	AUG	SEP	OCT	NOV	DEC
Meteorological techniques and procedures. Will encompass both knowledge and task items and will include a focus on seasonal forecasting challenges.	METSAT	FORECASTING	RADAR	METSAT	FORECASTING	RADAR	METSAT	FORECASTING	RADAR	METSAT	FORECASTING	RADAR
Manual observing skills and procedures. Will include at a minimum, observing using assigned/available tactical sensors, observing techniques, and dissemination local/longline.	Site selection / Tactical Vis Chart / LRF	Take manual Obs using * Kestrel®	Take manual Obs using * TMQ- 53	Site selection / Tactical Vis Chart / LRF	Take manual Obs using * Kestrel®	Take manual Obs using * TMQ- 53	Site selection / Tactical Vis Chart / LRF	Take manual Obs using * Kestrel®	Take manual Obs using * TMQ- 53	Site selection / Tactical Vis Chart / LRF	Take manual Obs using * Kestrel®	Take manual Obs using * TMQ- 53
Supported missions (i.e., mission profiles, tactics, planning/execution cycle, sensitivities of platforms, mitigation/exploitation of environmental impacts).	MEDEVAC	FARP	PORT DEPLOY REDEPLOY OPS	AVN OPS	BCT OPS	RPA / ISR	MDMP	Ground Combat Vehicles	Rotary Wing Aircraft	Artillery	Mountain Operations	Desert Operations
Unique meteorological phenomena and synoptic/regional weather features for both the installation and likely expeditionary locations.	LOCAL AREA	CENTCOM	PACOM	LOCAL AREA	CENTCOM	SOUTHCOM	LOCAL AREA	CENTCOM	PACOM	LOCAL AREA	CENTCOM	SOUTHCOM
Set-up and operation of assigned tactical meteorological equipment (TACMET). See note below.	Mark IV-B	Kestrel®	TMQ-53	Mark IV-B	Kestrel®	TMQ-53	Mark IV-B	Kestrel®	TMQ-53	Mark IV-B	Kestrel®	TMQ-53
BW Unique/UTC Training. (Local requirement to include weather forecasting/environmental exploitation and combat/field skills and warrior tasks)		LAND NAV MGRS MAP READING / DAGR	RADIOS	CAMO TECHNIQUES	VEHICLES AND CONVOY OPS	TENTAGE AND GENERATORS	NVGs AND NIGHT OPERATIONS	LIMITED DATA FORECASTING	IPB PRODUCTS	PERIMETER DEFENSE / FIGHTING POSITIONS	REACT TO CONTACT	

This plan provides an outline of CT to be conducted quarterly IAW AFI15-127 (Chapter 4) and local requirements. Specific subject matter for each area will be scheduled based on seasonal, geographical, and local training needs.

* CT will include, at a minimum, observing using assigned/available tactical sensors, observing techniques for manual cloud height, type and ceiling determination, manual determination of prevailing, variable prevailing and sector visibility using both day and night markers, observing local phenomena (i.e., fog, blowing dust), descriptive remarks use, encoding and dissemination of the observation both local/longline.

NOTE: AFMAN 15-129v2 (5.5.1.1.) - Semiannually, weather organizations with deployable tactical meteorological equipment will: (1) Set up, do an operations check, and troubleshoot all assigned deployable tactical meteorological equipment. Operations checks/troubleshooting will be incoproated into CT. (2) Inventory the system. Retain a copy and notify the MAJCOM Weather Functional and AFWA FSSC of outages or shortfalls. A detailed TMQ-53 inventory/packing list is included in the TMQ-53 T.O.